

## GORDON RESIGNS.

A SUDDEN RESIGNATION IN POLITICS.  
The Ministry of Georgia Resigned by General Gordon. His Resignation of His Seat in the Senate—His Correspondence with the Governor on the Subject.

The following official communication from General John B. Gordon came to the executive office like a bolt out of the blue. It's coming had not been heralded by rumors, and all to whom the news first found its way were incredulous, and only became believers in its genuineness when there was no longer room for doubt. We give in full:

GENERAL GORDON'S RESIGNATION.

Washington, D. C., May 18, 1880.—To His Excellency Governor A. H. Colquitt, Atlanta, Georgia: Sir: I hereby tender to you my resignation as United States senator from Georgia.

In view of the fact that I am simply carrying out a long-cherished desire to retire from public life, it has hitherto subordinated that desire to a sense of duty and to my reluctance to leave the service of a noble and generous people who have honored me with many exalted stations and supported me in the discharge of my duties with unwavering confidence.

Since April, 1861—for nearly twenty years—I trust, the country with greater ability than myself; but, I am sure will not do so, with greater devotion or purer motives. I am most respectfully yours,

J. B. GORDON.

Immediately upon the receipt of the foregoing letter, Governor Colquitt sent the following dispatch, hoping to procure its withdrawal:

GOVERNOR COLQUITT TO GENERAL GORDON,  
MAY 18, 1880.—General John B. Gordon, Washington, D. C.:—I have just received your letter, in which you say you resign your seat in the Senate. I beg you to reconsider your resolution. If you can do so satisfactorily, withhold it at least until the meeting of the general assembly.

ALFRED H. COLQUITT.

GENERAL GORDON'S REPLY.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 18, 1880.—Governor A. H. Colquitt, Atlanta, Georgia: Sir: I beg to assure you that, notwithstanding my request that I withdraw my resignation, I feel so constrained by my sense of duty that I must remain in the Senate, and, therefore, withhold it at least until the meeting of the general assembly.

J. B. GORDON.

The News in Washington.  
Special dispatch to The Constitution.

WASHINGTON, May 19.—General Gordon's resignation is known to only a few senators, but it excites profound regret. General Gordon himself says the first thing he wants is a few weeks of rest. He had been flattered offerters, but will do nothing for some time. He will refuse to reconsider his resignation.

H. W. G.

Associated Press  
WASHINGTON, May 19.—Senator Gordon, in an interview to-night said his reasons for resigning were that he had been compelled to leave public life, and said that it was necessary for him to devote all his time to private business which required his personal attention.

General Gordon's Successor.  
The appointment will doubtless be made at once, and the name of General Gordon's successor will be announced immediately. His resignation is drawing to a close, and very much important business remains to be acted on—some being of great practical value and interest to Georgia—it will naturally follow that the new senator will go on with the delay as possible. He may even be in his seat this week.

LET ANOTHER RESIGNATION.

Judge Butt of the Chattahoochee Circuit Gives Up the Bench.

Judge E. M. Butt, of Dalton, Georgia, has tendered his resignation to the judge of his period court for the Chattahoochee circuit to take effect immediately. His reason for resigning is that his health will not permit him to discharge the duties of the office. Judge Butt was appointed to fill the vacancy caused when Judge M. J. Crawford, his predecessor, was appointed judge of the supreme court. Judge Butt had the misfortune during the war to receive a serious wound from a shell that exploded near him, and he has never entirely recovered from it. He is now, however, as we are informed by a friend of his, that his health was so much impaired after his appointment on account of his old wound that his physician advised him to resign. Judge Butt has discharged the duties of his office to the entire satisfaction of the bar and people of his circuit. It is not known who the governor will appoint, but an appointment will be made at an early day.

The Express War.

CINCINNATI, May 19.—The hearing of the case of the Adams express company against the state of Alabama, before the railroad commission, has been had before Justice Hartman, who was before him, and is now of the United States supreme court, at Indianapolis, Indiana. The case involved the attempted election of the Adams express company from the line of the road to the northern route for the Union express company, and the appointment of a new president to be chosen by the shareholders.

The joint committee on adjournment was read twice and referred to the committee on appropriations, after a debate which a majority of the committee voted in favor of adjournment. The resolution was passed by a vote of 10 to 9.

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In Congress.

In the senate Mr. Jones, of Florida, from the seat of the naval affairs committee, introduced a resolution to appropriate \$100,000 to the Pensacola navy yard in a state of efficiency.

The president signed the resolution calling an extra session of congress, taking the ground that the same was necessary to meet the emergency of the situation.

Mr. Coke, from the committee on Indian affairs, reported a bill providing for the allotment of lands in severalty to Indians, and the extension and protection of the laws of the states and territories over the Indians. Placed on the floor of the senate, the bill was referred to the committee on appropriations.

The Mississippi Valley Planters.

NEW ORLEANS, May 19.—The Mississippi valley planters' association met in this city today. The attendance was large, and the president reported that the association was well organized and well prepared to meet the emergency of the situation.

Mr. Cameron introduced a bill granting a pension to the widow of General Heintzelman.

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**The Constitution.**

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ATLANTA, GA., MAY 20, 1880.

Three men with good appetites for office and happy—Mr. Key who has been officially named for a life-time place in the federal courts, Mr. Maynard who returns from exile to accept a cabinet position, and General Longstreet who desires to go abroad at public expense. Each gets what he wants, and there is joy everywhere except in the army of the disappointed.

The rise in the money power and real composition of the ways and means committee are plainly shown in their refusal to report a bill in favor of placing sal on the free list. The existing tariff is levied chiefly for the benefit of the salt works in central New York, and in order to give those works fine profits congress had decreed that the country shall pay a fixed tax upon a prime necessity of life. The south and west are deeply interested in this matter. The east is not, because its only considerable interest—salt-curing—gets the salt it needs free of duty. Why the east should not pay the salt duty in connection with fishing, as much as the south and west does in its meat-packing and canning industries, cannot be explained. To the warbler it looks if the western and southern democrats should stand firm on this subject.

**General Gordon's Resignation.**

The announcement of General Gordon's resignation of his United States senatorship—whic

the Constitution makes public for the first time this morning—will fill the people of Georgia with astonishment and concern—astonishment at any man will voluntarily resign from such a flattering career, and concern over the fact that the state will lose an official whose services have added lustre to the commonwealth.

In the history of this country, no man has taken a step that furnishes a parallel to what General Gordon does to-day. General Toombs, when he was pressed to accept a seat in the senate, was told that there were few men in the country who could aspire to such an illustrious office. "Yes," replied the kingly old man, "but there are fewer men who are big enough to decline it." There have been but two senators in a century who have retired from the senate to private life by resignation.

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